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Getting the runaround

USC looks to shut down Arkansas running backs Darren McFadden and Felix Jones in Saturday's game in Columbia.



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Meg Gaillard / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Event staff and police watch the stands during last week's game against Tennessee. Some fans were ejected for throwing bottles on the field.

Improper game conduct could hit students hard

After bottle throwing, Student Affairs initiates crackdown

Elizabeth Segrist
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

After throwing bottles at two football games, students will face increased punishments which could lead to moving the student section in the future, said Jerry Brewer, associate vice president of Student Affairs.

"It's absolutely despicable behavior," Brewer said.

According to a memo released by

the Office of Student Life, students will "face criminal prosecution" and university judicial proceedings if caught throwing objects.

Students caught will also be barred from all future USC athletic events, Brewer said.

"There will be changes if this happens again," Brewer said. "Event management could be put throughout the student section, and the student section could be moved entirely."

Brewer said the student section could also be cut as a possible solution.

"We're soliciting the students because it's happened twice now, and if it happens again, the student section will be moved," Brewer said.

Referees are able to fine the school \$50,000 for any item thrown onto the field.

Student Body President Tommy

PENALTY • A2



To read Jerry Brewer's letter to students, check out www.dailygamecock.com

CANS • A2

CANNED CREATIONS COMBINES CREATIVITY, CAMPBELL'S

Carolina Service Council uses Homecoming to give food to Harvest Hope

Rebecca Wilson
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Images of iPods, electric guitars and Williams-Brice Stadium made out of canned goods and non-perishable food items lined Greene Street on Thursday.

Canned Creations, a Homecoming event sponsored by the Carolina Service Council, gave participants a chance to earn points for Homecoming while helping out a good cause.

All groups were required to have a minimum of 200 cans, all donated to Harvest Hope Food Bank after the event.

Ashley Cole, secretary for the Carolina Service Council and a second-year business administration student, said 20 groups were signed up to participate.

"So even if they have just the minimum number of cans, we are going to donate a lot to Harvest Hope," Cole said.

Erin Nicholson, a first-year retail student, estimated the cans for Epsilon Sigma Alpha and Kappa Kappa Psi at around 500. Their creation was a replica of Williams-Brice Stadium, complete with marching band.

"We are all about service," Nicholson said about her sorority, Epsilon Sigma Alpha.

Nicholson said she thinks Canned Creations is a great opportunity to take part in a service activity while participating in Homecoming.

Kat Heavner, CSC director of special programs, said her goal in this activity was to make a service project to coincide with Homecoming.

"Service is a part of our lives as

Report says S.C. tuition rates greater than national average

Tuition paid by students per 9-month academic year

UVA — \$7,845



USC — \$7,808



UNC — \$5,034



UGA — \$4,964



UF — \$3,206



Source: College Board

Nick Needham
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Tuition rates have passed the national average at South Carolina's major colleges and schools, according to College Board's annual report "Trends in College Pricing."

The national average increased by \$344 to \$5,836 this year, according to the report.

USC's Board of Trustees increased tuition by \$494 for the 2006-2007 academic year, bringing the annual tuition cost to \$7,808.

TUITION • A2



Brandon Davis / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Members of Kappa Kappa Gamma decorate a float Thursday night for today's Homecoming parade.

New route, restrictions highlight 2006 parade

Gina Vasselli
STAFF WRITER

Cars will beep, garnet and black flags will fly, and the ever-present Cocky will pump up the crowd. The atmosphere is not the result of a normal GameDay caravan, but rather the excitement surrounding the traditional Homecoming parade.

Alpha Chi Omega and Pi Kappa Phi are two student organizations looking to make a splash with their float at the Homecoming parade today at

2 p.m.

The two organizations' combined float goes along with the Homecoming theme, "Rock on Carolina."

The float depicts the Williams-Brice football field with a scoreboard showing the Arkansas game in favor of USC.

The 50-yard line is set up with instruments and a drum set, waiting for Hootie & the Blowfish to play and a stage-diving Cocky.

PARADE • A2



Viewpoints

Chase Stoudenmire says we should forget SG and go with a less-boring monarchy.

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The Mix

Gaining popularity in the past few years, Newgrounds.com has become one of the largest Flash portals on the Web and attracts half a million visitors a day.

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students, so why not make it part of Homecoming, too?" Heavner said.

Heavner said the idea came from conversations in the Office of Student Involvement and Leadership.

Heavner Googled the idea and found many similar competitions throughout the country. Some had elaborate constructions, including a working clock.

"I think this could turn into an impressive competition with room to grow," Heavner said. "We can increase the number of cans and make an even bigger impact on the community."

Justin Linne, a second-year biology student, was on Greene Street admiring the canned designs.

"This is a creative way to collect cans instead of the regular canned food drive," Linne said. "It sparks some friendly competition between student organizations, and it's a creative way to donate."

Heavner and Cole agreed the competition has room to grow, but that the turnout and response for the first year was great.

"We really want this to get popular and be bigger and better next year," Cole said.

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THIS WEEK ● USC

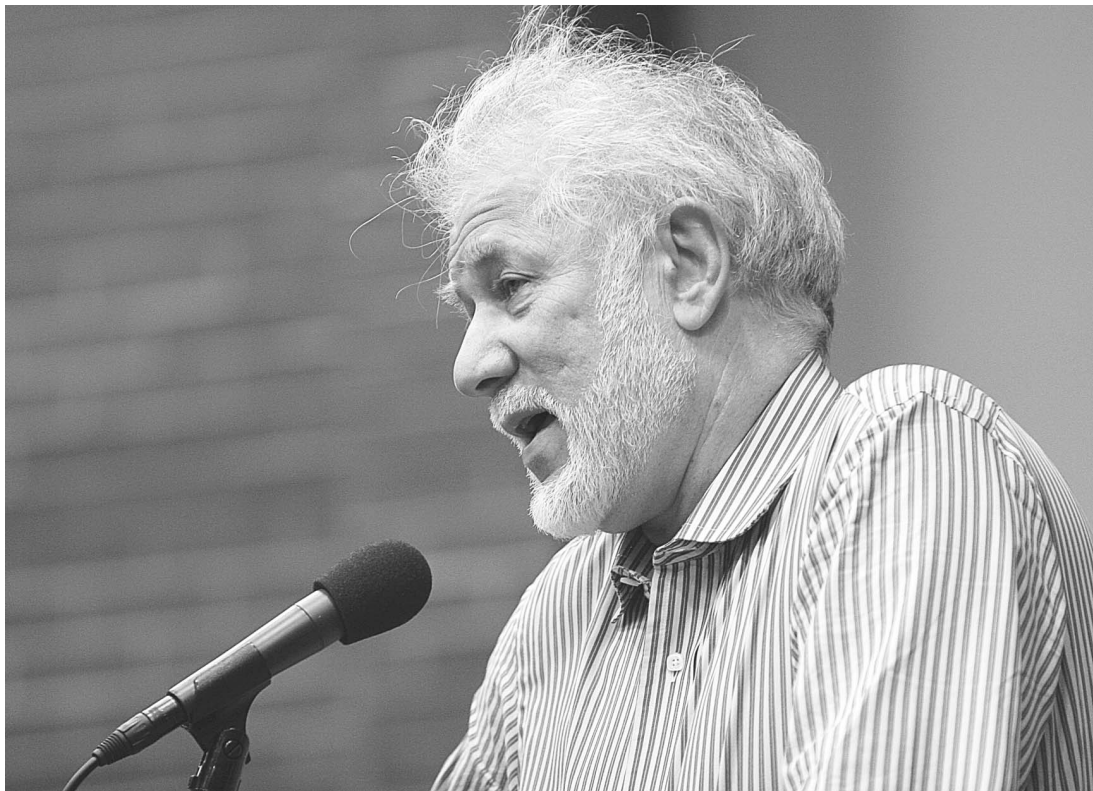
TODAY
NAACP: 6:30 p.m. RH
Senate Chambers
Academic Team Practice:
7 p.m. RH 309
SUNDAY
CP Concert Meeting:
5 p.m. RH 348
Sunday Night Alive:
8 p.m. RH Ballroom

CAROLINA ● BRIEF

University to host lecture immigrants

South Carolina has the fastest-growing Latino

ENGLISH WISDOM



Meg Gaillard / THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Michael Ondaatje, author of "The English Patient," which was awarded the Booker Prize and made into an Academy Award-winning film, speaks at the final event of the Fall Festival of Authors on Thursday night in the law school auditorium.

TUITION ● Continued from A1

Some student government leaders around the state believe education costs are unacceptable.

Clemson University Student Government President Stephen Gosnell, a fourth-year biology student, said helping students cope with rising costs takes different forms.

"On campus, we work with different sides of campus such as housing, dining services and tuition to ensure students' money is being spent in the best possible ways," Gosnell said.

S.C.'s public institutions aren't the only ones trying to keep cost down.

"We as students may soon encourage the college to consider an increase in annual endowed scholarships that reflect the percentage increase of tuition for that year," said Brain Fast, a fourth-year student and president of Wofford College's Campus Union Assembly.

That measure would help ensure a student with a four-year endowed scholarship

would be awarded equal funding, percentage-wise, for each of the four years, Fast said.

USC Student Body President Tommy Preston, a fourth-year political science student, has accompanied University President Andrew Sorensen on several trips to the State House to request increased funding.

"We have a funding problem when it comes to education in this state," Preston said. "Our students struggle throughout their college careers to pay for their education."

While Gov. Mark Sanford has said lottery-backed scholarships are helping to replace the deficits in education funding, Preston disagrees.

"We have money coming from two entirely different sources," Preston said. "We need more funding from the legislature to help keep tuition increases low."

USC spokesman Russ McKinney said tuition increases are directly related to the annual amount of funding from the General Assembly. He also agrees

lottery funds are not a sufficient replacement for state education spending.

McKinney refers to tuition as a university's sticker price.

"Our sticker price is too high; the lottery scholarships students receive help bring it down," McKinney said. "We had our first single-digit tuition increase in five years."

At the November Board of Trustees meeting, the board compared USC's costs to five other schools the board considers to be the university's top competitors.

When compared to the universities of North Carolina, Virginia, Florida, Georgia and North Carolina State, USC has the second highest tuition rate. Only the University of Virginia ranks higher at \$8,035, according to the school's Web site.

McKinney said College Board's study comes at a perfect time, since the university is preparing its budget request for the upcoming legislative session in January.

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Weather Forecast

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CRIME REPORT

WEDNESDAY,
NOV. 1
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Bull Street Garage,
611 Bull St.

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PENALTY ● Continued from A1

Preston, a fourth-year political science student, said he wants students to notify authorities of any bottle throwers.

"We really need the students to cooperate with us on this," Preston said. "It's a small margin of students who are going to ruin it for all of us."

Kunal Patel, a first-year pre-pharmacy student, was arrested at the USC-Tennessee game. Patel declined to comment.

"Around two-dozen people threw things, but that's two dozen too many," Brewer said. "The fact that only one person was arrested shows that the general people are condoning these actions."

There has been an outburst of student opinion in Facebook groups.

One group, "I HATE the students who throw s—t on the field after a bad call!" had 775 members at press time.

"As far as throwing bottles is concerned, it's unclassy, disrespectful and dangerous," said Justin Cegelis, a second-year physical education student and creator of the group.

"There are other ways to show our dislike rather than trashing our own field."

On the opposing side, "I LOVE when USC students throw stuff on the field," had 89 members at press time. This group's description said, "throwing trash is free speech!"

Bobby Tigani, a first-year undecided student, said he thinks students have the right to throw bottles at referees.

"They should have thrown those bottles. That play cost us the game," Tigani said.

However, some of the objects ended up hitting students.

"I saw a girl get hit with the bottle and had an injury to the head," Tigani said.

Athletics Director Eric Hyman said refereeing is part of the game.

"There's no place for this kind of behavior in college athletics," Hyman said. "There are going to be referee calls for us and against us."

Brewer said his office will not tolerate unsportsmanlike behavior.

"It's got to stop," Brewer said. "It's embarrassing to the university, and it's dangerous."

News Editor Jackie Alexander contributed to this story.

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PARADE ● Continued from A1

"As a group we came up with the idea of using Hootie & the Blowfish because they were students here, and I just sketched it out and added some little touches," said Hilary Dyer, a member of the executive board of Alpha Chi Omega and a third-year visual communications student.

Members of the Carolina Productions Homecoming Commission monitor float-building to make sure organizations comply with rules and regulations, and the atmosphere in the parking lot of Capital City Stadium was very hectic.

"Everyone's flatbed is so close to each other, and once you fill it in with 50 people on each side, it'll be crazy," Dyer said.

According to regulation, the construction of the float must take place between specified times, which were from noon to 6 p.m. Wednesday, 11 to 2 a.m. on Thursday and 8 a.m. to noon today.

However, groups can pre-construct much of their float before, making it easier for them to put the float on the flatbed and add touches during set hours, said Adam Leonard, president of Pi Kappa Phi and a fourth-year risk management student.

"I'd sit and make the goalposts or whatever needed to be made whenever I had free time," Leonard said.

A new restriction requires floats not to exceed 14 feet tall and 22 feet wide so they can

fit under Pickens Street Bridge, Dyer said.

"You really have to stick to the height requirements or else your float will go down," Leonard said.

The parade will start at the Colonial Center, travel past the Russell House and around the Horseshoe.

The parade route changed from previous years to involve more students walking to and from class.

"We changed it because we wanted to incorporate the campus so more students could see the parade," said Taylor Hudson, a member of the Homecoming commission and a fourth-year public relations student.

CP also changed the format of the judging. Judges formerly sat in a designated area, but this year "floating judges" will be in the crowd at any point during the parade so that "everybody will be excited for the whole thing and not just when they see the judges," Hudson said.

Dyer said she hopes that since students will get to see more of the parade as a result of the route change, they will get more involved in Homecoming.

"It's not just a Greek thing," Dyer said. "It's a Carolina community thing."

Greek organizations were given a choice to build a float or ride in a car, but Alpha Chi Omega and Pi Kappa Phi chose to construct a float anyway.

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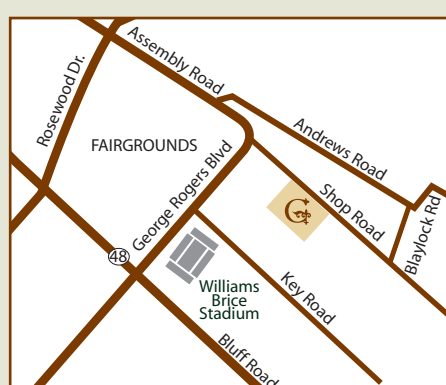
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IN OUR OPINION

SEC reaffirms lunacy with rooster lockdown

Imagine a beautiful third-and-one. Arkansas steps up to the Carolina 4-yard line, trailing 21-14 with 1:30 left. We're about to upset the No. 12 team in the country, and the Williams-Brice crowd turns its ears to the PA system, expecting a 4-second blast of audio rooster to pierce the night sky and turn fans into a raucous, foaming sea of froth. Instead, silence — courtesy of the SEC. In another tightening of the good-cheer noose, the SEC on Wednesday banned USC's popular rooster crow on third-down situations. Sound clips around the conference have been restricted to pregame, halftime, postgame, timeouts and after a score. Instead of turning their ears to the PA, fans should turn their noses to the smell of BS emanating from the SEC front office.

The rooster crow isn't a long, deafening, distracting noise like Auburn's "Eye of the Tiger" nonsense, nor is it a painfully obvious rule infraction like Mississippi State's cowbells.

It's a short, simple call to arms that the fun-mongering SEC suits have deemed inappropriate. These are the same people who banned fans from rushing the field, even though conferences such as the ACC allow it and rarely have a problem.

We alternate home fields every year for a reason: A team's native turf — with fans, sounds, sights and all — really does make a difference on the scoreboard. First comes the restriction of sound clips. Next comes a strictly divided stadium — 40,000 Carolina fans and 40,000 on the other side — playing in a Kansas cornfield where everything will be nice and even.

The rooster crow is part of our home defense, but so are the fans, who shouldn't let the stadium get any quieter.

CORRECTIONS

In Thursday's The Mix, the column "The Style Doctor" should have been labeled as Erinn Pasquale's fashion column.

The Daily Gamecock regrets the error. If you see an error in today's paper, we want to know about it. E-mail gamecockopinions@gwm.sc.edu.

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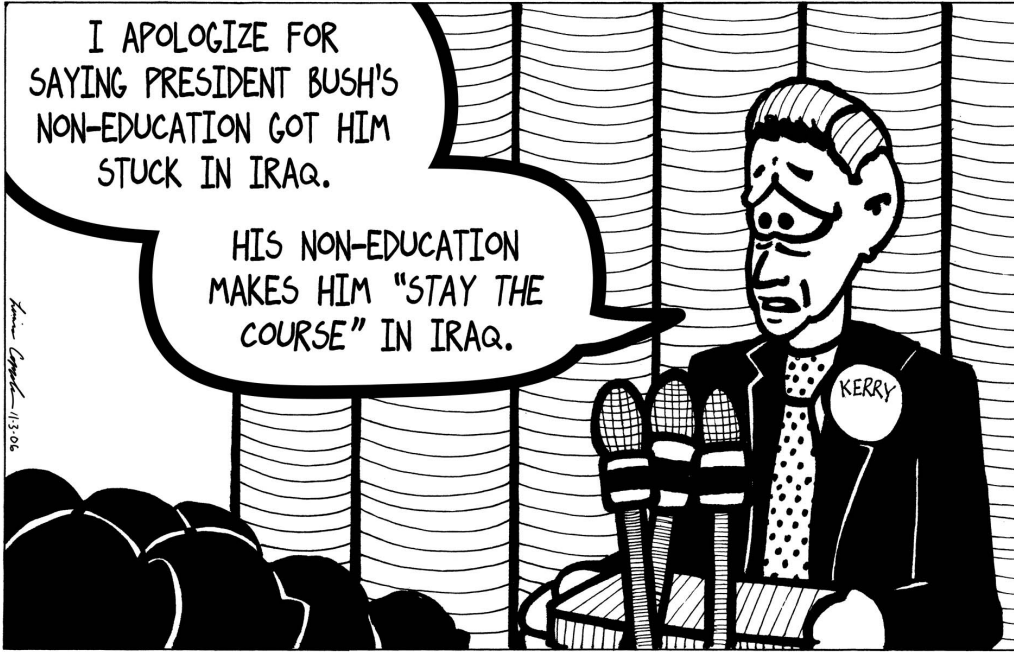
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THE DA SToudenMIRE CODE

Forgo SG for less-boring monarchy

Leaders' representation of students overlooked in ruthless denunciation



CHASE SToudenMIRE
Third-year history student

Tommy Preston takes a lot of heat at this university. As a matter of fact, Preston takes a lot of heat in this newspaper. But I'm not writing to attack him — I'm writing to help him out — by completely stripping him of all duties and responsibilities. Basically, everything but his clothes.

And I'm not stopping there. I'm relieving everyone in Student Government — including myself — from our duties. No longer will we have people attacking positions we take. No longer will we listen to students, identify issues and look for ways to make positive change. As of this writing, I'm calling for the immediate and total disbandment of SG. Democracy is SO past it's prime.

Think about it. Democracy consists of a bunch of mean people wearing boring clothes talking about boring things. Once every two or four or six years, these

mean people say mean things about each other and kiss babies. The winners send the babies a thank you note; the losers track the babies down and eat them.

Monarchies are better. Instead of a bunch of mean people in boring clothes, you have one or two mean people wearing funny clothes.

Even if they say something boring it's normally followed by a beheading or two, which make it all worthwhile.

With a monarchy, we'll never have to sit through another election. Monarchs simply capture people who dislike them and FedEx them to the losers from democratic elections, who then eat them for dessert, assuming there is room left over from all the babies.

A monarchy is clearly the way to go now that we've disbanded SG (if enough of us keep saying it, they may start to believe

it). When trying to identify who would be the best person to rule our campus with absolute authority, my name immediately came to mind.

Unfortunately, after considering it for a while, I remembered that purple really isn't my color. Damn.

I worried about this for weeks, not knowing who should take charge — but then I had an epiphany. If we learned anything from our European history courses, we know that it's not our job to pick a king or queen: God himself does that.

Keeping that in mind, I knew that the right people would eventually pop up.

Sure enough, Homecoming rolled around this week, meaning we now have a king and queen!

So get ready — things are going to start changing. This Saturday at halftime, we'll meet the new royal family.

Just make sure to behave, because anyone caught throwing bottles on the field will be sent straight to the guillotine.

Ma'ams, sirs add only 'cherry on top'

Courtesy comes in forms above hospitable slang, polite manners, respect



LINDSEY DENNERLEIN
Third-year psychology student

Being a Northerner, a "yankee" as you all so kindly call me, I will never understand a few things about the South. I know I'll never get the appeal of grits or sweet tea, and although I've learned to love "y'all," I've got a problem with another of your favorite verbalisms: ma'am.

Maybe it's not just a Southern thing, fine, but I notice it here more than in the North. I also know how we all love turning arguments into North versus South, so I'll go ahead and play along.

Why is there an obsessive need to say "yes ma'am" or "no sir"? Why, when I refuse to go along with this Southern protocol am I scoffed at as "another rude Northerner"?

I'm not rude by any means; I say my pleases and thank you's just like the rest of y'all.

At my first parent-teacher conference, my kindergarten teacher prepared to deliver what she thought would be the shock of a lifetime to my unsuspecting mother: Her

seemingly perfect child, me, was really an impolite little heathen running around refusing to say her ma'ams and

sirs. In fact, my mom offered my teacher the greatest shock of her own life as she enlightened her to the fact that she felt that ma'am isn't necessary and that I wouldn't be forced to say it, neither at home nor at school.

My parents, Northerners themselves, never raised me to mumble any ma'ams or sirs. I was raised to mind my manners, be courteous, and say please and thank you, and I did. That's how it should be.

Rather than teaching children to feign politeness by slapping a "ma'am" or "sir" onto the end of every phrase, parents should simply teach their kids genuine respect and basic manners.

Ma'am-ing and sir-ing everyone is just another example of that Southern sugarcoating that I despise. Get real.

The list of criteria

for being a lady or gentleman contains many more important lessons than those unnecessary utterances.

I know a good many people who need to work on opening doors, chewing with mouths closed, having general respect for others and basically just not being jerks — instead of trying to cover it all up with a chirped "yes ma'am."

Let's tackle the big problems first. If you really, really cannot leave your ma'am behind, at least think of it as a subtle cherry on top, not what makes the sundae.

Manners are essential but ass-kissing isn't.

On top of everything else, how many times have you heard a middle-aged woman beg you not to call her ma'am because it makes her "feel old"? At least I've got the baby boomers on my side of the court.

So what about my own future kids? No matter where they're raised, North or South, will I force them to mutter the ma'am and sir appendages after every phrase that leaves their mouths? I'll humor you for a second: no sir.

Only voters have right to complain in politics

Lazy citizens stay home, leave ballots blank, keep whining about problems

The country is going to hell in a hand basket. At least that appears to be the general belief of some Americans



MONIQUE CUNIN
Third-year print journalism student

when they are asked their opinion of our government. These people list problems such as high gas prices, unemployment and the war in Iraq. They complain but have not done

anything like vote to try and solve these problems.

More than 200 million people were eligible to vote in the 2004 presidential election, and not all of them did. Only 59.6 percent of them actually got off their butts and voted — a decrease from previous elections. Those who voted or were not yet old enough to vote are the only people who have the right to complain. Everyone else who complains about how much they hate or love the government lost their right when they did not vote.

At some point in time, you heard on television or from a parent, teacher or coach that you are among the future leaders of the world. How can you lead the world if you have no idea what is going on and do not participate in shaping it? Our "future" has started. Unfortunately it does not look as bright, safe or carefree as those of past generations.

Our generation is often called technologically savvy. We can operate iPods, navigate the Internet, program cell phones and text message. Many of our parents couldn't figure out these things if they tried, but they are more likely than we are to register to vote and actually do so.

People always believe that our votes do not count or that politicians do not listen to us as a population. This is because we never speak loud enough to be heard. Every time students argue with preachers outside the Russell House, play host to events such as "The Birdcage" or write articles that call for staying in the closet, they are voicing our opinions.

Registering to vote is simpler than navigating Facebook. All you have to do is be 18, print out a form online, fill it out and send it in to your state's registration office. They will mail you a card with information on it, and then all you have to do is go out and vote. While it is too late to register to vote in the election on Tuesday, register and vote for president in 2008.

Voting is similar to deciding what to eat for dinner with your friends. If you do not voice your opinion, the outcome may be an unpleasant one you are forced to live with, such as high gas prices, a war and a president who makes a great target for everyone in pop culture.



*Popular site
mixes viewer
audio, cartoons
with Flash*

Breaking newground

Justin Fenner
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

There are many things that set human beings apart from the rest of the animal kingdom, but it is the ability to create and recognize art that really makes us unique.

For the many creators and viewers of Newgrounds.com, art is an everyday occurrence.

“Newgrounds is the original and still the largest Flash portal on the Web,” says creator Tom Fulp in the site’s “About” section. Fulp created the site in 1995 to showcase games he made as

a teenager. When Fulp started using Adobe Flash in 1998, the site became a place for him and his friends to show games and cartoons.

Today, the site has expanded to include an audio portal, where musicians can put their work for review or for cartoonists to use as background music. The site has been gaining momentum steadily for the past decade, and reports an audience of nearly half a million visitors daily.

The coolest thing about this site is that it exists entirely to please its audience. Anyone can become a member, and anyone can submit work, but it is up to the audience to decide what gets on

the site. Fulp and his team developed an automated Flash Portal in 2000 that “allows anyone anywhere to submit Flash and have it appear on the site instantly.”

Through online voting, viewers decide what makes it to the site’s Daily Top 5, which receive the high honor of a spot on the home page. Viewers also have direct access to the artists brave enough put their work online — the audience can comment and rate work that has passed through the Flash Portal.

The site is also visually pleasing. Sleek gray lines and bright orange buttons direct your attention to the sections,

so it is easy to use and easy on the eyes. Newgrounds depends on advertising for finances. But because Fulp’s team places the ads away from the main focus of the site, users don’t feel the ads are intrusive.

The site caters to nearly every taste in entertainment, so there’s something for everyone to enjoy on Newgrounds. From new music to unusual games to political parodies, Newgrounds is changing the way cartoons are seen for the better.

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Zebrahead shows rhyme, punk stripes

*Decade-old band
brings funk back
with new album*

Blake Arambula
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

“Broadcast to the World”
Zebrahead

The punk-rap of Zebrahead has been a subject since its Orange County beginnings 10 years ago, but gradually the band moved into the mainstream with 2000’s scandalous self-abuse song “Playmate of the Year,” a song with nods to Cheap Trick-ery and what Allmusic.

com calls “a musical version of a Farrelly Brothers movie in under three minutes.”

The band then released an album devoted to the fans which was aptly named after its followers, 2003’s “MFZB,” which featured a hook-heavy collection of songs highlighted by vocalist Justin Mauriello and rapper Ali Tabatabaee on tracks such as “Rescue Me,” “Over the Edge” and “Into You,” which spawned a music video with live footage of the song featuring thousands of screaming Japanese fans jumping in enormous waves to the music.

A few things have changed for Zebrahead. They’ve dropped Mauriello



Orange County based punk-rap band Zebrahead returns with new lead singer in new album, “Broadcast to the World.” The band has made music for 10 years.

Special to THE DAILY GAMECOCK

The Style Doctor

Tending to Your Fashion Wounds

Justin Fenner
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

*Dear Style Doctor,
A few months ago when the women’s runway shows debuted, I noticed a lot of designers who were trying to reference this sort of weird, Napoleonic-era military garb that really didn’t appeal to me. But now that fall is here — and I can’t really tell that*

STYLE ● A6

ZEBRA ● A6

STYLE ● Continued from A5

it's fall this week at all — I'm starting to see some of that stuff show up in my friends' closets. It's a lot of buttons and gold trim and fleur-de-lis everything. Do I need to jump on the bandwagon, or will I be OK sticking to what I know?

- Apprehensive in Ann Taylor

Dear Apprehensive,

Many times in the last few years I've been less than thrilled by what I've seen coming down the runway, and the shows for this fall were no exception. The first thing to keep in mind is that runway shows are a designer's chance to be eccentric and creative. Of course their goal is to be able to sell most of the things they send down the ramps, but in reality they know that only the pared-

down, realistic looking things that appeal to the widest audience are going to go to mass market.

The Napoleonic pieces coming down the way for this fall came largely as a response to Sofia Coppola's movie "Marie Antoinette," but good reviews for the film don't have to mean good reviews for the clothing. On the one hand, an amazing multi-buttoned vest would look great with a skirt and some of the chunky platform stiletto designers have been favoring. On the other, a full French army captain's uniform might look a little tacky at your next club meeting.

The key here — and with all things trendy — is to keep it in moderation. The horrible thing about fashion is that most things considered fashionable won't be fashionable within

the next three months anyway, so it doesn't really make sense to splurge on everything related to it.

You want to build a wardrobe full of classic pieces that will last you forever and mix in trendy things only every once in a while. If you ever do find anything that appeals to you, go for it. Buy the items that will keep you looking like you're on top of the trends for a little while, but don't spend too much money. It would be terrible to waste your hard-earned cash on something you wouldn't be able to wear next fall.

Remember, clothing is an investment in your personality and the way people see you. It's OK to be trendy. Just don't show up to class next week looking like a 17th-century naval commander, and you'll be fine.

ZEBRA ● Continued from A5

for a new, more youthful sounding Matty Lewis, but their music also sounds less busy than before. It's easy to imagine when two guitars, a bass and drums are playing while someone is rapping or singing.

On "Broadcast to the World," the newest full-length from the band, Lewis seems right at home with the decade-long veterans who round up the rest of the band, and while his vocals may counteract the post-grunge/rap sound with a pop-punk flair, at least the melodies in the choruses are spot on.

A listener can't help but smile when he hears the chorus of "Rated 'U' for Ugly." When Lewis hits the

descending notes, listeners are instantly hooked and prepared for what Zebrahead does best — spouting rhymes over technical guitar work complimented by simple choruses and poppy hooks.

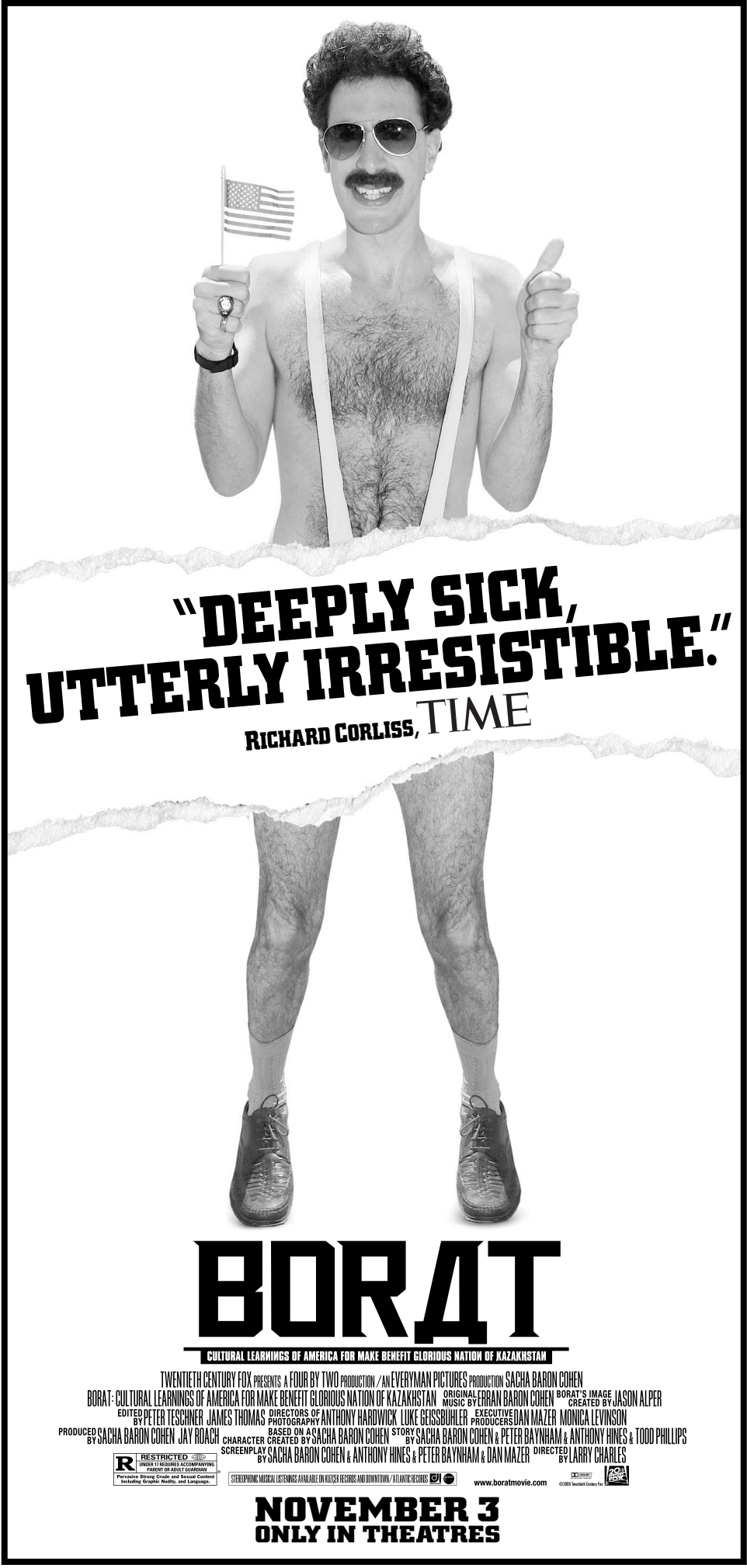
"Anthem" is an introspective rock song fueled by upstroked verses. "Back to Normal" is a mid-tempo romp in the vein of Army of Freshmen's easygoing rap verses and melodic pre-choruses which demonstrate Lewis' effect on the rest of the band.

To compensate for simplicity, "Karma Flavored Whisky" begins somber enough to trick the listener into thinking it's "that slow song" on every rock album, but doubts are quickly subsided in a blazing video game-like solo by guitarist

Greg Bergdorf. The tongue-in-cheek closer "Your New Boyfriend Wears Girl Pants," ends the album in traditional Zebrahead fashion, a mid-to-slow rocker with long, drawn-out lyrics that rightly puts a cap on an album with few skips and many plays.

"Broadcast to the World," is Zebrahead after coming out of a mental health clinic. The band is refreshed, regrouped, cleaner and more personal on this album than before. The album, released on an independent label, sounds better produced than the earlier Sony Records releases, and it truly shows that 10 years into a career, a band can still survive by its fans.

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**"DEEPLY SICK,
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RICHARD CORLISS, *TIME*

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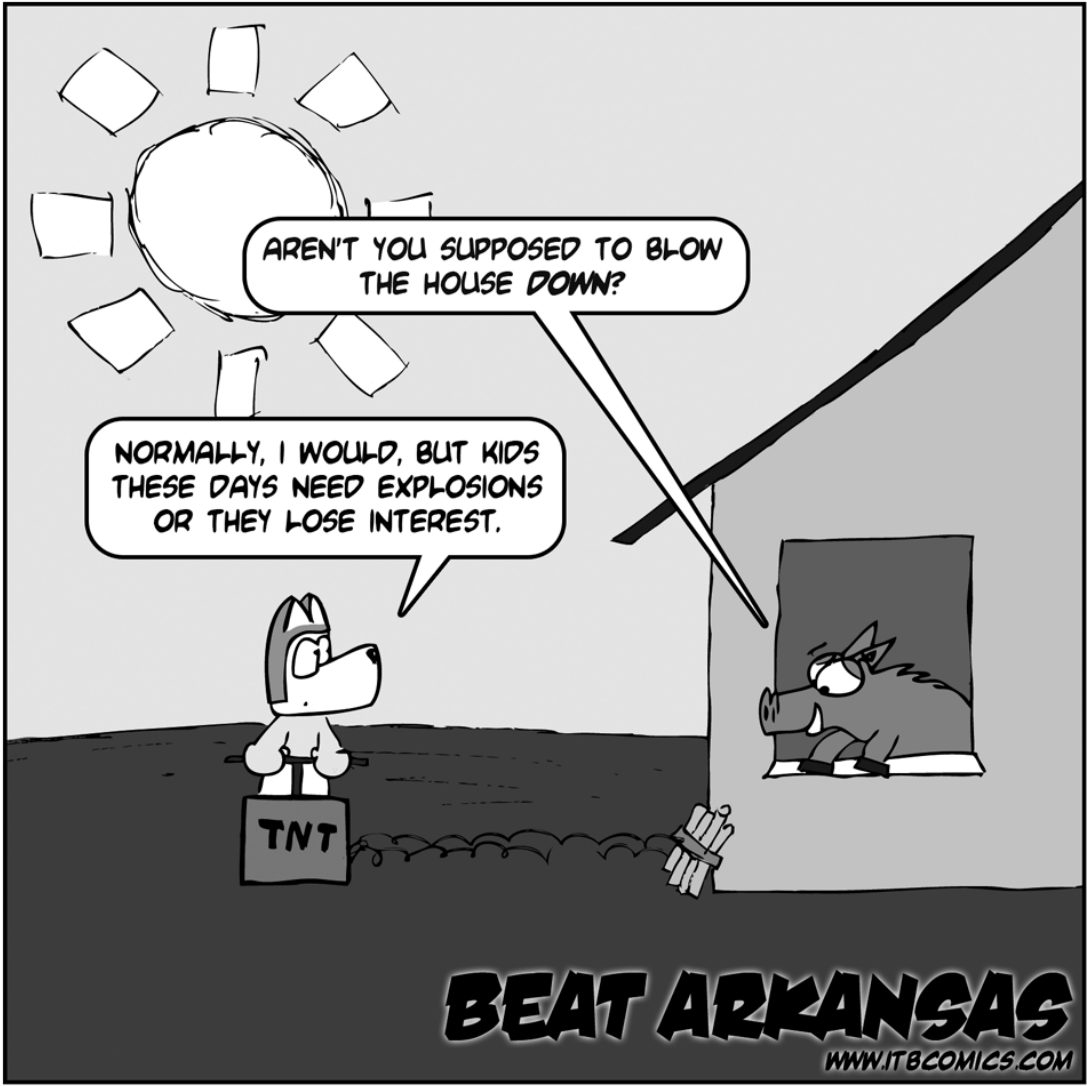
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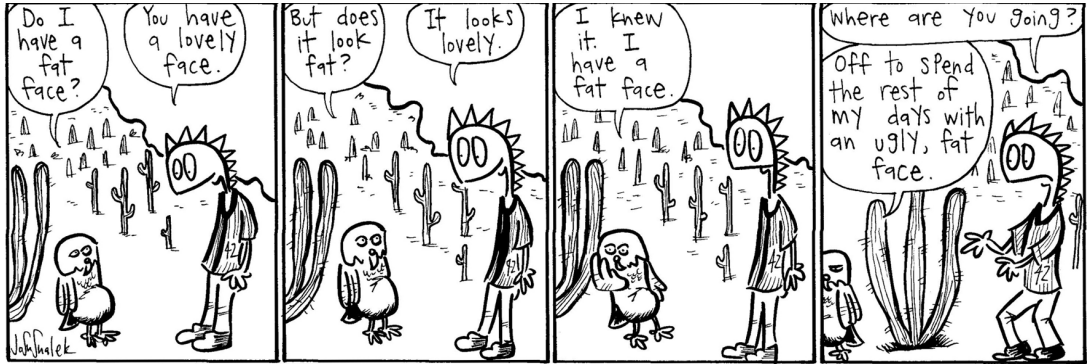
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Complete the grid so each row, column AND 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. Check online at dailygamecock.com for previous puzzles

Solutions to Thursday's Sudoku

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ARIES The indications are that you have access to great wealth. It isn't all your money, but you can use it to your advantage. **TAURUS** Your spokesperson makes the necessary connections. Your team provides ideas and labor. **GEMINI** You're busy enough for 10 people, so get 10 people to help. Might as well make a tough job into a work party. **CANCER** You can become more successful and happier at the same time. The trick is to do something you really love. **LEO** Come up with a plan and

just about everybody will go along. They're looking for strong leadership. **VIRGO** Don't put up with the mess anymore, even if you didn't make it. You've given them time to do it themselves. **LIBRA** Re-do your office and put in the corrections you've been waiting for. Set new goals, since the ones you set before have now been achieved. And then, rest. **SCORPIO** You hardly have time to think. Luckily, you already have a plan. **SAGITTARIUS** No need to tell everybody everything

you know. Let them do the talking and you'll come out the winner. **CAPRICORN** Don't do all the talking — just let people know your problem. Somebody you know well can do a job that simply has you baffled. **AQUARIUS** Hold yourself to high standards, and the money comes naturally. It's the result of your careful attention to detail. **PISCES** You're attracting more attention, and that's a very good thing. You'll be getting new requests soon, so be as prepared for them as you can be.

the scene at USC

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A word for the wise

tortuous [TAWR-choo-ubs] (adj.)- 1. full of twists, turns or bends. 2. not direct or straightforward

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The Ragin' Cajun:

Doughty digs deep

**FRIDAY FOOTBALL
BLITZ**

Brian Saal
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

Look at Stanley Doughty and you're sure to get a smile from him. The laid-back Louisiana boy is anything but serious. So how does such a pleasant person put on pads everyday and knock opponents around? He just does what he does.

"When I'm me out here, I seem to play better," Doughty said. "Football is supposed to be fun. If you can't have fun playing football, then you should try to do something else."

If football is supposed to be fun, the 6-foot-1-inch, 331-pound nose tackle is having a ball. Doughty led the Gamecocks with 3.5 sacks last season and has totaled 44 career tackles in only 30 games.

The Greensburg, La. native came to Columbia in 2003 with his goals set high and surrounded by talent. Doughty was the future face of a Carolina defensive line that boasted Darrell Shropshire, Moe Thompson and George Gause.

Doughty paid attention to the older guys his redshirt season because one day he knew that role would be his.

Today, Nathan Pepper looks up to Doughty the same way. The sophomore is trading playing time with Doughty, but between the two of them, it's all family.

"I push Nate a lot because he's a sophomore, and I'm

DOUGHTY • B2

Wake-BC battle best matchup in Week 10

In-conference contests for possible league titles spread throughout U.S.

Matt Moore
STAFF WRITER

Well, let's just say I didn't see this one coming. The winner of the No. 16 Boston College-No. 22 Wake Forest game will be in the driver's seat as far as the Atlantic Division of the ACC goes. Sure, No. 19 Clemson and Maryland will still be very much alive, but the winner of this one might just be on their way to Jacksonville, Fla.

Demon Deacon quarterback Riley Skinner doesn't necessarily have the stats of some of the best quarterbacks in the country, but he has been solid. His completion percentage is close to 70, and he has thrown only one interception to his five touchdowns. He also proved against Clemson he wasn't afraid to tuck the ball and take a hit.

The Eagles have outscored their opponents by 100 points in five home games, but going on the road hasn't been a breeze for Boston College. They barely slipped past Central Michigan, lost by 2 in their first trip to North Carolina against the Wolfpack of N.C. State and just got by Florida State by 5 in Tallahassee. I don't see this trip being a happy one for BC.

Boston College 17 — Wake Forest 20

No. 13 LSU's hope is waning quickly, but don't count out the Tiger quite yet. With the No. 8 Vols up next on the schedule, the

final nail is looming over the Tiger coffin. Tennessee on the other hand is really the only team still alive to challenge Florida in the East. They'll need a little help from either Vanderbilt or South Carolina, but crazier things have happened.

LSU's potent offense, led by JaMarcus Russell, has been outshined by the Tiger defense. Only two teams have put up double-digits on the Tiger defense, Florida and Mississippi State (seriously I don't know how the Bulldogs managed that one, don't ask me), and things are not going to come easy for Erik Ainge and the Vols.

On the other side of the ball, Tennessee has done nothing but thrive in pressure situations. I could argue no game had more pressure than that first game against Cal, where the Vols proved they were back in business. Then there was Air Force, Georgia, Alabama and South Carolina. As one of the most tested teams, Tennessee has actually fared quite well, and I'm expecting about the same this week.

LSU 14 - Tennessee 24

No. 4 Texas is seated nicely atop the Big XII, but they have come close to meltdown these past two weeks against Nebraska and Texas Tech. Any slip-up could mean the end for the Longhorns, and No. 18 Oklahoma and No. 21 Texas A&M will be there waiting when it happens. At least the winner of this weekend's match up between the two teams will be.

Aggie running back Jorvorskie Lane may be one of the most productive backs in the country. On 124 carries, Lane has found the

end zone 17 times, most in the Big XII by seven. He will have to play big to keep A&M close against this Sooner defense.

Oklahoma has proven they can win without Adrian Peterson over the past two weeks albeit the games haven't been runaways. Oklahoma will win this one and be Texas' main challenger in the South because things don't get any easier for the Aggies. Nebraska comes into town next week, and then they travel to Austin for their season finale.

Oklahoma 20 - Texas A&M 14

Other conference games of note:

No. 1 Ohio State dodged a big bullet before the 2006 season even started. The Buckeyes have to face the Michigan Wolverines to end their regular season, but they don't have to play the No. 17 Wisconsin Badgers at all. The Badgers are really the only team in the Big 10 that could even think of playing with the Wolverines or the Buckeyes.

Wisconsin couldn't quite get it done earlier this season against Michigan, but its high-powered run offense should be OK against Penn State. The Nittany Lions have had a decent season, but they really haven't been able to find the end zone as much as they'd like. Look for Wisconsin to do just enough to stay lurking in that third conference spot.

Penn State 21 - Wisconsin 28

The Conference USA West title will be on the line when Tulsa heads to Houston



Gerry Broome / The Associated Press

Wake Forest quarterback Riley Skinner (11) hands off to Kenneth Moore during the second half of a football game against North Carolina in Chapel Hill, N.C., on Saturday.

to face its interdivision rival. Both teams have pretty solid offense, ranking in the top 30 in total yards and scoring about 30 points a game. Houston allows 6.6 points and almost 100 yards a game more than the Golden Hurricanes. Tulsa should be able to outscore Houston's lackluster defense.

Tulsa 34 - Houston 31

Anybody around here who has seen Florida Atlantic play must be wondering why in the world I would be mentioning the Owls in a meaningful conference game. I'm sure you saw them get flattened by Clemson

on ESPN2, you probably went to the Carolina game where USC used them for passing practice, and ESPN2 featured FAU in a 6-0 loss to Louisiana-Lafayette.

But, beyond these games, Florida Atlantic hasn't really been that bad and can still make a run at the Sun Belt title. With that said, they will definitely be facing the best Sun Belt team up to this point in the season in Middle Tennessee State. The Blue Raiders have won two straight and should be okay in this matchup.

Florida Atlantic 10 - Middle Tennessee State 24

Matt's Top 10

1. Ohio State
2. Michigan
3. West Virginia
4. Tennessee
5. Texas
6. Louisville
7. Auburn
8. Florida
9. California
10. Arkansas

Matt's Heisman List

1. Troy Smith
2. Pat White
3. Mike Hart
4. Steve Slaton
5. Ray Rice

DOUGHTY • Continued from B1

a junior on the field but a senior in the classroom," Doughty said. "He's playing and learning. He's almost like my brother."

Pepper came to Carolina as a defensive end but gained weight and became a nose tackle. The two instantly bonded.

"When I'm compared to (Doughty), I probably would be the quiet half because he talks," Pepper told The State. "He gets all his talking in when he wants to talk. I like listening to him. It's just entertaining to me, listening to him."

Pepper has totaled 19 tackles, while Doughty is not far behind with 11.

Doughty graduated from St. Helena Central High School in 2003 earning All-State Honors on the football field. Doughty recorded 98 tackles, including 28 for losses and 15 sacks his senior year. Coach Kenneth Lee had high praise for Doughty.

"Stanley is phenomenal. He is the best defensive lineman that I have ever coached. He has a lot of strength," Lee said. "When he was playing, it was like a man playing against boys. He gave us the push up in the middle. The opposing team would have to design their offense around Stanley. That is how important he was for us."

After a lackluster 5-7 redshirt season, Doughty was ready to prove himself on the field. Doughty credits his endurance and tough body for avoiding injuries and constant intensity. After two years where the Gamecocks fared 6-5 and 7-4 seasons, Doughty has gone from the future face to the now.

However, Doughty has faced weight issues throughout his playing career. When he first came to Columbia, Doughty was listed at 315 pounds. Today he stands at 331. Staying in shape has been his biggest obstacle, but he still plays with all he has.

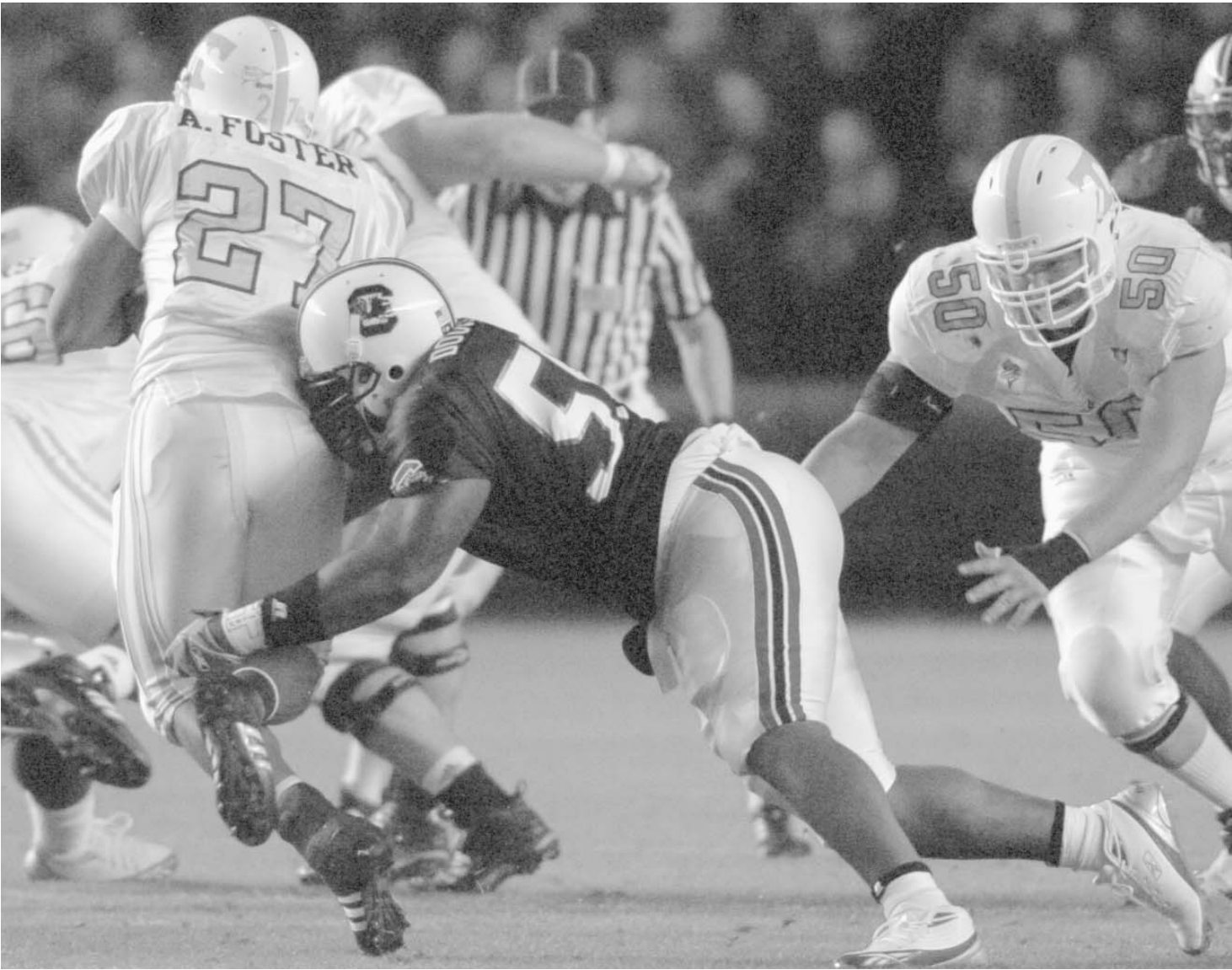
Doughty proved his loyalty to the Garnet and Black this season when coach Steve Spurrier tried the Defensive Player of Spring on the opposite side of the trenches. With his numbers dropping, Doughty played offensive guard for some practices, with Spurrier hoping he could use him in short-yardage situations.

Offense is something Doughty is not too familiar with.

"I played offensive line for one game in high school and hurt my ankle on the third snap. I left it alone after that," Doughty said. "Coach Spurrier checked me out here and there, but as for now it doesn't look like I'm playing offensive guard"

Doughty's redshirt freshman year saw him total 11 tackles, three and a half for losses. His biggest game came at Carolina's 20-3 victory against Alabama where he had a pair of tackles for losses. The Gamecocks fell out of bowl contention that season after their Nov. 20 brawl against Clemson.

That offseason would prove a pivotal one for Doughty. It was the end of the Lou Holtz era, and with Thompson and Shropshire leaving, it paved an open road for Doughty. Spurrier instantly took a liking to the retail student. Doughty played all 12 games in 2005, starting nine. He led the team with 3.5 sacks while



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USC defensive lineman Stanley Doughty wraps up Tennessee's Arian Foster in last Saturday's game at Williams-Brice.

totaling 24 tackles, seven for losses.

The 2005 season was bittersweet for the Louisiana native, when in late August Hurricanes Katrina and Rita rolled through the Gulf of Mexico and affected his home. Greensburg, population 631, is located an hour and a half from Baton Rouge and New Orleans. Doughty's family, like many, were without food and electricity for some time, causing the Gamecock to worry.

"Down in Louisiana, that's

where you don't want to be at without power," Doughty said. "It's very humid, and mosquitoes are serious down there."

Doughty had to put those issues on the back of his mind whenever his pads were on. He knew teams like Auburn and Georgia weren't going to be easy on him. Doughty carried on with his field dancing to pump the crowd up.

"I wanted to be there for my family, but I was here," Doughty said. "But God blessed us, and we overcame

the struggle."

Doughty's one big goal this season is to beat archrival Clemson.

For four years, Doughty has seen the in-state rival Tigers come out on top. He said he hopes to do something about it because it wouldn't be the first time Doughty has ended a losing streak to a rival. In fact, four years is nothing to him.

This season, Doughty's leadership role has been as a mentor to Pepper while still tackling SEC running backs.

"On Saturday, I try to get everybody right and be a leader on the field," Doughty said. "It's something I have to work on. To be a leader at all times."

Little doubt remains that this 5-3 Gamecock team benefits with Doughty's leadership and flair. No matter where he is on the field or sideline, his smile and dancing is sure to get attention.

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Carolina bowl eligibility, take 2

Despite losing chance at SEC title, Gamecocks eyeing elusive 6th win

Christopher Aleman
THE DAILY GAMECOCK

South Carolina's recent loss to No. 8 Tennessee has all but knocked the Gamecocks out of contention for the SEC East crown. But that's not such a bad thing, said USC coach Steve Spurrier. "We are back to trying to just win a ball game," Spurrier said at his Tuesday news conference. "We realize that we are realistically out of the division in the SEC. Sometimes in the back of your mind, if it were to happen that you started to win some games, you start believing you have a chance. Now we know that is gone, we just want to win some games, play well, have fun and play football."

The Gamecocks (5-3, 3-3 SEC) are now focused on No. 12 Arkansas (7-1, 4-0 SEC), South Carolina's natural conference rival since both programs joined the SEC in 1992. The match will be nationally televised at 7:45 p.m. Saturday on ESPN.

Despite the fact that USC will play host to yet another ranked opponent, Gamecock Nation can take a huge sigh of relief because star quarterback Syvelle Newton has fully recovered from a head injury he suffered in the first half of last week's contest. "Syvelle had a good day today," Spurrier said after Wednesday's practice. "He was pitching the ball around and running. He looked 100 percent ready to go."

With most of their starters healthy, the Gamecocks should feel confident heading into this weekend's match. USC players and coaches, however, know that the key

to a victory against Arkansas is to improve Carolina's porous rushing defense. The Razorbacks are last in the SEC in time of possession, but they rank third in conference in scoring offense (31.4 ppg), which indicates Arkansas quickly puts big points on the board.

South Carolina must shut down the two-headed monster in the Arkansas backfield consisting of sophomore running backs Darren McFadden and Felix Jones. Combined, McFadden and Jones rush for an average of 235.4 yards per game, good for best in the conference.

USC rushing defense, on the other hand, ranks ninth in the SEC, having surrendered an average of 137.2 yards per game to opponents' ground attacks.

In last year's victory against Arkansas, the Gamecock defense managed to keep McFadden and Jones out of the end zone. Spurrier said it is important for USC to once again accomplish that feat.

"McFadden and Jones are two of the best backs in the conference, on the same team, and they run both of them a lot," Spurrier said. "We need to anchor down and not let them run up and down the field."

Expect to see the Gamecocks stack eight men in the box to stop the Razorbacks' formidable rushing duo. If USC can force Arkansas freshman quarterback Mitch Mustain to throw against the conference's fifth-best pass defense, Spurrier and company have a good chance to pull off the upset.

Arkansas holds an 8-6 advantage in a series that dates back to 1992. A win for South Carolina would make the Gamecocks bowl eligible for the third consecutive year.

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USC wide receiver Sidney Rice runs against Vanderbilt. Rice will need another big game against a solid Arkansas secondary for the Gamecocks to keep pace with a tough Hog defense. Arkansas leads the overall series 8-6.

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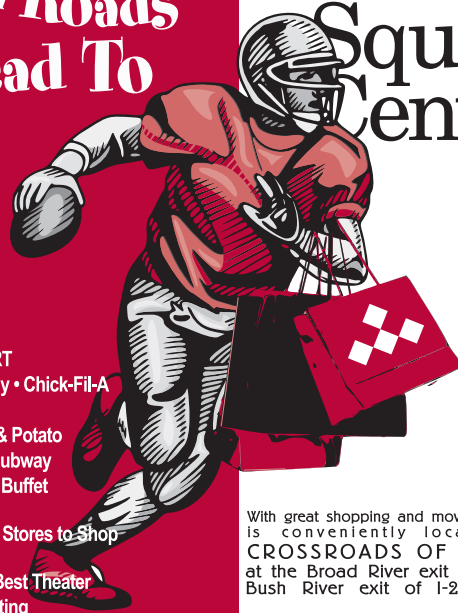
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RODNEY PAULK, LINEBACKER, #45

Another freshman growing up quickly, Paulk was a speedster in high school who came up big in stopping the run. That same task will be placed in front of him Saturday, as linebackers will have to beat out Arkansas' extremely strong offensive line to keep the McFadden-Jones running attack in check.



THOMAS COLEMAN
OFFENSIVE LINE, #55

After being thrown into the fire this season, the senior has shown he has the skills to be a solid blocker in the SEC. His talent will be needed against the formidable Arkansas front, as the Hogs boast 71 quarterback hurries and 21 sacks on the season. Even with the escapability of quarterback Syvelle Newton, Coleman and company will be needed to create a balanced attack.

Who has the Edge?

Quarterback

USC — Syvelle Newton is the starter according to Coach Spurrier. His mobility provides the Carolina offense with a much-needed option — the ability to elude the rush. Blake Mitchell will supposedly get his first playing ability to elude the rush. Blake Mitchell will supposedly get his first playing ability to elude the rush. Blake Mitchell will supposedly get his first playing ability to elude the rush.

EDGE: ☒ USC

Running backs

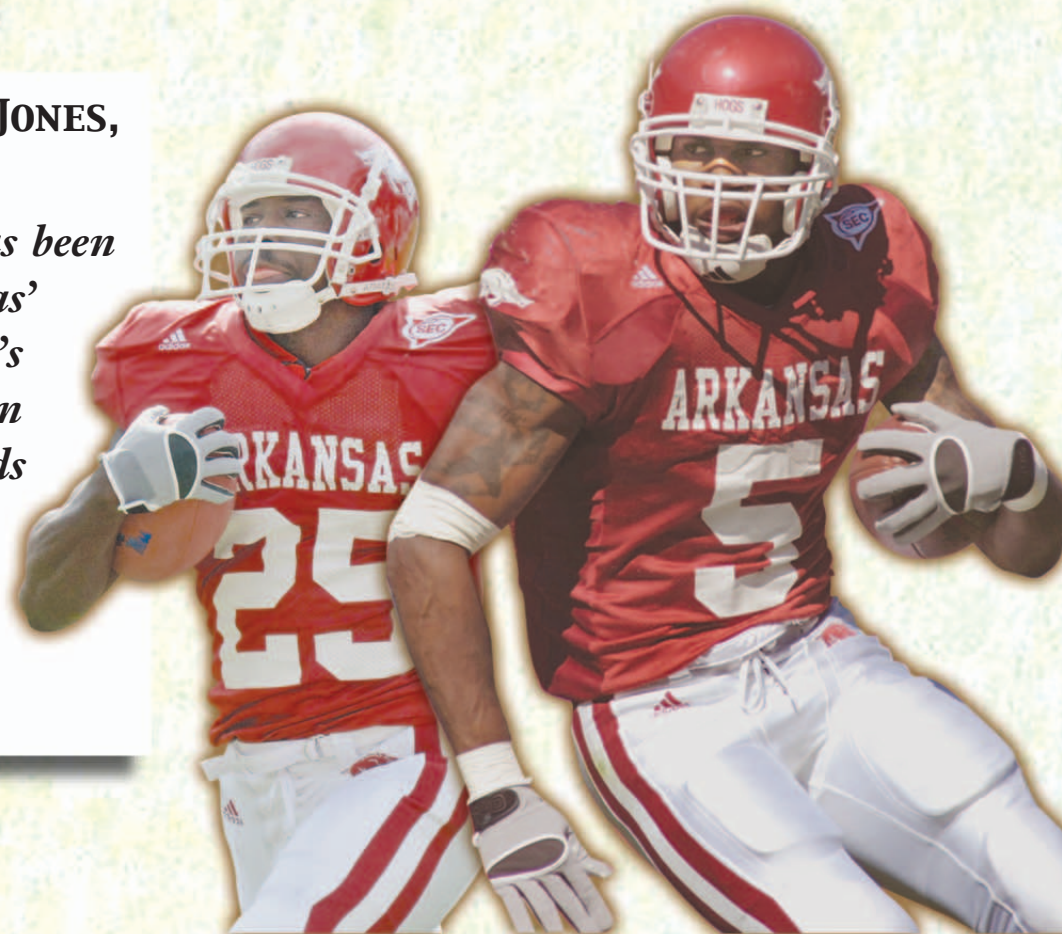
USC — If Carolina had stuck with a running plan last week, Cory Boyd would have gained another 100-yard performance. But the offensive play-calling shifted to a more pass-oriented attack, and Boyd finished with a little more than 75 yards on the ground. But when he got the ball early in the game, Boyd ran like a man possessed, dragging would-be tacklers for a ride.

CHRIS HOUSTON, CORNERBACK, #2

Houston has been the most polished player in the Hogs' secondary, knocking down eight passes this season to lead the team in the category. His 19 solo tackles show his ability to manage in the open field, and he has also forced a fumble and recorded one tackle for a loss.

DARREN MCFADDEN & FELIX JONES, RUNNING BACKS, #5 & #25

The two-headed monster has been a thing of beauty for Arkansas' running game. McFadden's 102.4 yards per game is tops in the SEC, while Jones' 9.9 yards per rush is pure gold. The duo have 11 touchdowns and average a little less than 200 yards of offense a game.



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THE CHALLENGE: Every week, The Daily Gamecock's readers and staff test their sports knowledge with game predictions.

<p>Alex Riley Sports Editor, The Daily Gamecock (51-29)</p> <p>If Carolina wants to prove they belong with the top-tier teams in the SEC, this is the game they need to show up for. Anybody want some pork chops?</p> <p>Other picks: Wisconsin, FSU, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee, Wake, Georgia Tech, Oklahoma, Michigan State, USC 28-24</p>	<p>TOM BENNING Asst. Sports Editor, The Daily Gamecock (60-20)</p> <p>Did you bring something to cool off your mouth? Well, you should, because Jasper Brinkley is going to put a little hot sauce on D-McFad.</p> <p>Other picks: Wisconsin, FSU, Nebraska, Kentucky, Tennessee, Boston College, Georgia Tech, Oklahoma, Michigan State, USC 24-21</p>	<p>MATT MOORE Staff Writer, The Daily Gamecock (60-20)</p> <p>The Carolina defense is going to have to play huge if they want to stop McFadden and Jones. I'm thinking a trick play from the head ball coach wins this one.</p> <p>Other picks: Wisconsin, FSU, Nebraska, Georgia, LSU, Boston College, Georgia Tech, Oklahoma, Michigan State, USC 31-30</p>	<p>JAKE BROOM Columnist, The Daily Gamecock (63-17)</p> <p>Arkansas' run game is ridiculous, but this pick is subject to change if Jasper Brinkley separates Darren McFadden's torso from his legs, which is entirely possible.</p> <p>Other picks: Wisconsin, FSU, Nebraska, Georgia, LSU, Boston College, Georgia Tech, Oklahoma, Michigan State, Arkansas 31-28</p>	<p>STEVEN VAN HAREN Editor in chief, The Daily Gamecock (51-29)</p> <p>We played top-10 Auburn and Tennessee too close for their comfort. Look for a home crowd to supply the third-down crows and a needed edge.</p> <p>Other picks: Wisconsin, FSU, Missouri, Georgia, LSU, Boston College, Georgia Tech, Texas A&M, Michigan State, USC 30-21</p>	<p>Megan Sinclair Staffer of the Week (50-30)</p> <p>Last week was a sad loss, but considering our close calls in the last few top-10 games we have a good chance at impressing Arkansas, especially if we keep up a strong offense.</p> <p>Other picks: Wisconsin, FSU, Nebraska, Georgia, Tennessee, Boston College, Georgia Tech, Oklahoma, Michigan St. USC 12-7</p>	<p>Mac Howe Reader of the Week</p> <p>Picks: Wisconsin, Nebraska, Georgia, LSU, Boston College, Georgia Tech, Texas A&M, Michigan State, USC</p>
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5Questions

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with Jake Broom

1 When will the idiots who throw stuff on the field learn that it makes us all look stupid?

I've never seen a referee pick up a flag and say "You know what? Since you just tossed this bottle of water in the end zone, it makes me realize that maybe that wasn't pass interference after all. I immediately retract my flag, and may God have mercy on my soul."



Jake Broom
Fourth-year political science student

And you know what? I don't think I'll ever see it happen. If they ever had any inkling of conceding that they made a bad call and subconsciously looking the other way the next time one of USC's linemen was holding, that thought flew out of their head the second you mouth-breathing bottle-throwers decided to take your tantrum onto national television.

If your answer to this is to say the students are "only showing their passion,"

then take a few steps back because you're hogging all the stupid. If you want to show you're passionate, change things up a little and show up early, be loud, and stay until the end of the game. If you want to show everybody what a moron you are, keep throwing bottles.

2 Will USC be able to slow down Arkansas' running game enough to win the game?

Carolina won't be able to stop Darren McFadden and Felix Jones from getting their yards, but they have a chance to slow them down enough to win. Defensive coordinator Tyrone Nix has said this week that he plans to keep things simple and just challenge his players to man up and hit somebody. Somewhere, Jasper Brinkley is foaming at the mouth.

3 If it comes down to play selection, which team has the advantage?

Carolina has Steve Spurrier calling plays,

THE EDGE • Continued from B4 & B5

Arkansas — McFadden and Jones have been the show in the SEC this year, with both players gaining more than 80 yards a contest. Throw in their 11 combined touchdowns and the Hogs possess the most potent running attack in the SEC. Oh, and McFadden threw a touchdown last week, too, so apparently they can do everything.

Edge: Arkansas

Wide receivers

USC — Sidney Rice was dominant last week — at least when he wasn't having his jersey ripped off. Defensive secondaries can't focus too much on the All-SEC receiver with the emergence of Kenny McKinley, and now Jerod Cook, Mike West and Noah Whiteside. All four have touchdown catches on the year and provide Newton with some passing options.

Arkansas — The Hogs have arguably the most underused receiver in the country with Marcus Monk. At 6 feet 5 inches, the senior only had 450 yards this year but does have five touchdown grabs. His 56 yards per game isn't the biggest receiving threat on the field. His size, however, could provide a matchup problem for USC's secondary.

Edge: USC

Offensive line

USC — They're getting better. That's the theme around the front five for Carolina as the season has rolled on. A plethora of faces have graced the line this season, the most recent addition being Justin Sorensen who has improved dramatically from the season's beginning. Hutch Eckerson and Jamon Merideth have become studs on the front, while Web Brown's return adds depth.

Arkansas — None of the Hogs' front

five weigh less than 300 pounds, and the unit has given up a mere six sacks on the year. The depth chart also says its smallest player tips the scales at 6 feet, 300 pounds. Added to that, the Hogs have a duo of running backs who average more than 80 yards per outing. This unit could be one of the best in the country.

Edge: Arkansas

Defensive line

USC — With the size of Arkansas' front line, the Gamecocks will have a hard time getting a push up the middle. Big men such as Stanley Doughty will be called upon to see if they can break through, but USC's speed on the edges will be crucial against the Hogs' running attack. If Arkansas is force to turn it outside, Carolina might be able to slow down the running game.

Arkansas — Two front men have more than five sacks on the year with the whole team combining for 54 TFL. Keith Jackson seems to be having a "down year," but Jamaal Anderson is picking up his slack with 9 TFL and a team-leading six sacks. Their strength at stopping the run and pressuring the quarterback will be tough for USC's offensive line to handle.

Edge: Arkansas

Linebackers

USC — Jasper Brinkley's speed and strength will need to be at the top of his game to stop the Hogs' running game, while freshman Rodney Paulk will get his chance to show off what a run-stopper he can be. The key is the rotation at the positions. USC is deep with talent at the linebacker position, and keeping the players fresh after chasing the duo of Arkansas runners will be important.

Arkansas — Sam Olajubutu leads the team in tackles with 72. But it's not

his stats that are impressive — it's his leadership abilities. He's the defensive general, and he is also part of that monster tackle-for-a-loss statistic (5.5 TFL), the Hogs boast.

Edge: Even

Secondary

USC — Defensive coordinator Tyrone Nix gave the Gamecock secondary a different look last week when he lined Fred Bennett up at safety. That trend could continue in an effort to have a solid run-stopper deep in case of breakaways. The biggest matchup will be who squares up with Monk. Carlos Thomas and Captain Munnerlyn are undersized, and Thomas seemed to get burned all last week.

Arkansas — Six Razorbacks have an interception, including team leader Michael Grant, who has three picks on the year. The most impressive stat comes in the form of a team total of 41 pass breakups on the year. Chris Houston's eight leads the team, with six other Hogs earning three or more pass breakups on the year.

Edge: Even

Special Teams

USC — Ryan Succop hit another more-than-50-yard field goal last week and continues to make his case for All-SEC honors. The return squads have been dismal at best. Back-up quarterback Tommy Beecher saw time as a blocker on kickoffs last week. Yes, it's gotten that bad.

Arkansas — The Hogs have five people in kicking categories with two field goal kickers, two kickoff guys and one punter. They did miss some easy field goals against Alabama, which almost cost them the game — in overtime with a short field.

Edge: USC

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Razorbacks controlling own destiny

Among smattering of 1-win SEC teams, Arkansas looks for title

Michael Aguilar
STAFF WRITER

The Arkansas Razorbacks are in control of their own destiny. The SEC has four one-loss teams, and the Razorbacks are one of only two of those teams that can influence their own destiny.

The Razorbacks come into Columbia needing a win

against the Gamecocks to continue their run for the SEC West title and a bid in the SEC championship game. The only teams that stand in the way are Carolina, Tennessee, Mississippi State and LSU.

The SEC has been unusually strong this season. Three weeks ago, six teams had one loss or less in the SEC.

Arkansas' power over its season is a perfect parallel to its game play. The Razorbacks bring the fifth-strongest rush offense in the nation into Columbia.

The two-headed monster of sophomores Darren McFadden and Felix Jones has put up awe-inspiring numbers this season.

"Well, it's going to be a challenge," said USC junior defensive end Ryan Brown. "Everybody this whole year has been trying to stop their running game."

Although most teams know what Arkansas is going to do when they step on the football field, stepping up to stop the Razorbacks from moving the ball on the ground is another thing.

Teams with a strong

rushing offense are usually good at holding on to the football and beating opposing teams with stalwart defense.

The Razorbacks seem to have the strong defense down to a science, allowing no touchdowns in the last 14 quarters of play and giving up more than 20 points only twice, including to offensive juggernaut and nationally ranked No. 9 Southern California.

However, Arkansas seems to not have gotten the memo about holding on to the football. The Razorbacks

rank last in the SEC and 118th nationally in time of possession. Opponents hold on to the football an average of 6:26 minutes longer per game than the Razorbacks.

The Razorbacks might not have the concept of ball control in hand, but they do have the idea of controlling a football game. They rank third in the SEC and 19th in the nation in scoring offense. The defense ranks fourth in the SEC and 18th nationally holding opponents to 15.2 points per game.

The Razorbacks have defied a lot of conventions in

college football. They began their season with a 36-point loss but did not let it affect them. They have also started a freshman quarterback every game since and remain undefeated.

Arkansas is controlling football games and slowly but surely winning believers.

"They're good," Brown said. "They're 7-1 right now, they've played some pretty good teams. I mean, they're 7-1. Their record speaks for itself."

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In this Oct. 21, 2006 photo, Arkansas freshman quarterback Mitch Mustain looks for a receiver during the second half of Arkansas' college football game with Mississippi in Fayetteville, Ark. No. 13 Arkansas is 6-1 and unbeaten since Mustain became starting quarterback in Week Two of the 2006 season.

BROOM • Continued from B6

arguably the greatest offensive mind in the history of college football.

Arkansas has Gus Malzahn calling plays, a guy who was coaching Springdale High School last year.

If you needed one play to win a game with your life on the line, who would you want to be calling it — the guy who won the Heisman trophy,

coached a quarterback who won the Heisman trophy and is wearing a national championship ring, or the guy who was breaking down game tape of a group of 16-year-olds and teaching a P.E. class a year ago? I'm not passing judgment; I'm just putting that out there.

**4 Arkansas corner
Chris Houston can
supposedly bench press**

400 pounds. Does Sidney Rice care?

The big news among the members of the media is that Arkansas has a cornerback that can bench press 400 pounds, and somehow this is supposed to correlate to him being able to shut down Sidney Rice. I don't see the connection. If there is a less important measure of strength for a cornerback than bench press, I really can't think of it. All this means is that Houston will be able to commit pass interference stronger than any other defensive back in the league. Congratulations.

5 Did Syvelle Newton really throw a touchdown pass last week immediately after he got a concussion?

After practice this week Newton admitted that on the touchdown pass to Mike West, he was so out of it he didn't even call a play. West ran until he was open.

I'm not trying to make light of the guy's head injury, because I've had concussions before and they are no joke, but if Carolina is down by 6 in the final two minutes of a game and in serious need of a big play, will somebody please take one for the team and dropkick Newton in the back of the head? As long as I can't get arrested for suggesting it, I'm all for it.



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